

## **Agriscience (HQ)**

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### **Pre-Requisites:**

None

### **Recommended Credit(s):**

1

### **Recommended Grade Level:**

9<sup>th</sup>

### **Course Codes:\*\***

A10 – **5121** or A12 - **5171**

\*\* Use A12 Course Code number for all programs. A10 should be used for 10 month programs only.

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### **Standard 2.0**

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### **Standard 3.0**

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### **Standard 4.0**

**Explain the major cell processes as related to plant and animal systems.**

### **Standard 5.0**

**Examine the genetic activity and reproductive systems as related to plant and animal.**

### **Standard 6.0**

**Examine the functions of the animal digestive system of the major types of domestic animals.**

### **Standard 7.0**

**Analyze the nutritional requirements for plants and animals.**

### **Standard 8.0**

**Analyze cell structure, genetics and reproduction of plants.**

### **Standard 9.0**

**Evaluate different methods by which electrical energy can be produced and used.**

### **Standard 10.0**

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### **Standard 1.0**

**Evaluate the use of scientific investigation to supply the world with needed agricultural products.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 1.1 Summarize terms that relate agriculture and science.
- 1.2 Describe events that have influenced agriscience education.
- 1.3 Explain the scientific investigation process.
- 1.4 Prepare an outline for and make a presentation on an agricultural science project.
- 1.5 Determine the benefits of conducting a supervised agricultural experience program (SAEP) as it relates to science.
- 1.6 Describe the function of competition in the science learning process.
- 1.7 Describe the impact of technological developments on agriculture and their effect on the lifestyle of society.

### **Standard 2.0**

**Explain the importance of agriculture in society.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 2.1 Summarize the importance of agriculture to Tennessee's economy.
- 2.2 Determine why agriculture is important to Tennessee's economy.
- 2.3 Explain the role of the major careers in agriscience and agriculture.
- 2.4 Explain the political impact of agriscience at the local, state, national and international levels.
- 2.5 Analyze the impact of technological advancement in agriculture.
- 2.6 Describe the role of genetics in the agricultural industry.
- 2.7 Analyze the relationships of plants and animals in our society.
- 2.8 Analyze the desired effects of leadership on world agriculture production.

**Standard 3.0****Determine the importance of wildlife populations and environmental conditions in our natural habitats.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 3.1 Summarize terms associated with ecology and conservation.
- 3.2 Analyze the major components of a food chain in nature.
- 3.3 Analyze the main parts of the water cycle.
- 3.4 Examine the main flow of carbon dioxide and oxygen between plants and animals.
- 3.5 Diagram the parts of the nitrogen cycle.
- 3.6 Distinguish types of pollution and their sources.
- 3.7 Determine how the carrying capacity of an ecosystem is affected by interactions among species and organisms.

**Standard 4.0****Explain the major cell processes as related to plant and animal systems.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 4.1 Examine the parts of the cell and explain their functions.
- 4.2 Identify the cellular organelles associated with major cell processes.
- 4.3 Distinguish among proteins, carbohydrates, lipids, and nucleic acids.
- 4.4 Determine the relationship between cell growth and cell reproduction.
- 4.5 Describe the relationships among genes, chromosomes, proteins, and hereditary traits.
- 4.6 Analyze the role of genes in determining hereditary characteristics.
- 4.7 Describe the procedure determining the genetic makeup and the sex of animal offspring.
- 4.8 Summarize the terms associated with plant and soil chemistry.

**Standard 5.0****Examine the genetic activity and reproductive systems as related to plant and animal.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 5.1 Summarize terms related to cell structure and genetics.
- 5.2 Diagram seed parts and factors that affect seed germination.
- 5.3 Distinguish between sexual and asexual reproduction.
- 5.4 Diagram parts of the flower and give the function of each part.
- 5.5 Summarize terms associated with animal reproductive systems.
- 5.6 Specify and explain the parts of an animal's reproductive system.
- 5.7 Specify and explain the different methods of animal reproduction.

**Standard 6.0****Examine the functions of the animal digestive system of the major types of domestic animals.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 6.1 Summarize terms associated with livestock nutrition.
- 6.2 Classify domestic animals based on their digestive systems.
- 6.3 Describe the types of digestive systems found in domestic animals.
- 6.4 Discuss terms associated with metabolism in animals.
- 6.5 Explain and diagram the parts of an atom.
- 6.6 Evaluate the atomic chart and diagram the periodic table.
- 6.7 Compare ionic bonding and covalent bonding.
- 6.8 Distinguish between elements, compounds and mixtures.
- 6.9 Diagram the parts of a molecular equation.
- 6.10 Compare properties of acids, bases and salts.
- 6.11 Evaluate the various stages within the digestive process.
- 6.12 Describe nutrient requirements and the functions of domestic animals.
- 6.13 Differentiate types of performance rations.

**Standard 7.0****Analyze the nutritional requirements for plants and animals.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 7.1 Relate plants to their preferred optimum pH ranges.
- 7.2 Recommend elements needed by plants.
- 7.3 Analyze and distinguish the symbols of elements needed for plant growth.
- 7.4 Specify nutrient deficiencies in plants.

**Standard 8.0****Analyze cell structure, genetics and reproduction of plants.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 8.1 Diagram the parts and functions of plant cells.
- 8.2 Balance the parts of chemical equations related to plant processes.
- 8.3 Examine the importance of the cohesion theory.
- 8.4 Examine the effects of different colors of light on plant growth.

### **Standard 9.0**

#### **Evaluate different methods by which electrical energy can be produced and used.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 9.1 Summarize terminology relative to power and energy.
- 9.2 Analyze the relationship between speed, distance and time.
- 9.3 Relate principles of physics to procedures for measuring work, power and horsepower.
- 9.4 Specify groups, sources and forms of energy.
- 9.5 Describe the law of conservation of energy.
- 9.6 Relate the types of simple machines to the law of machines and mechanical advantages.
- 9.7 Analyze the principle of heat energy and describe the way heat travels.
- 9.8 Examine the electron theory of electricity.
- 9.9 Determine voltage, amperage, resistance and wattage utilizing the appropriate instruments.
- 9.10 Relate physics concepts to agriscience applications.
- 9.11 Differentiate between the types of engines.
- 9.12 Explain the production of energy and relate it to the invisible light spectrum.
- 9.13 Describe the function of the major parts of the gasoline and diesel fuel systems.
- 9.14 Compute horsepower.
- 9.15 Calculate mechanical and thermal efficiency in internal combustion engines.
- 9.16 Specify the basic applications of thermodynamics.
- 9.17 Prescribe safe practices for handling electrical power supplies.
- 9.18 Perform conversions from the metric to the English system.

### **Standard 10.0**

#### **Demonstrate premier leadership and personal growth needed in the area of agriscience.**

Learning Expectations and Performance Indicators:

- 10.1 Demonstrate a positive work ethic and attitude.
- 10.2 Demonstrate proper time management skills.
- 10.3 Apply problem-solving skills.
- 10.4 Describe career plans that develop critical life-long thinking skills and allow for life long learning.
- 10.5 Demonstrate the ability to conduct a meeting in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.